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1. DURING MEETING WITH UN ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL DJERMAKOYE ON MAY 21, I ASKED HIM FOR HIS INTERPRETATION OF GON'S DECISION TO REJECT DUTCH OFFER OF MILITARY TRUCKS FOR RELIEF PURPOSES. DJERMAKOYE SAID HE RECOGNIZED THAT GON'S REFUSAL OF BADLY NEEDED TRANSPORTATION FOR DROUGHT AREAS COULD BE MISINTERPRETED BY DONOR COUNTRIES BUT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT DUTCH OFFER INVOLVED OLD TRUCKS WHICH WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY RELATIVELY LARGE MILITARY CONTINGENT COMPRISING YOUNG CONSCRIPTS. HE SAID GON FELT THIS MIX OF MATERIAL AND PERSONNEL MIGHT CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS THAN IT SOLVED.

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2. AT SAME TIME DJERMAKOYE STRESSED THAT GON'S ACTION

SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS DECISION AGAINST RELIEF
EFFORTS BY FOREIGN MILITARY UNITS. HE WAS CONFIDENT,
FOR EXAMPLE, THAT MILITARY TEAMS OF QUOTE RESPONSIBLE
MEDICAL DOCTORS UNQUOTE WOULD BE WELCOME.
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